

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Dr. Lawrence L. Mitchell began his teaching career at The University of South Dakota (USD) during the 1973-1974 academic year; and,

Whereas, During his tenure, Dr. Mitchell served as director of the symphonic band, marching band and jazz band; taught low brass studio lessons, jazz appreciation, and instrumental problems; and served as Chair of the Department of Music for 11 years; and,

Whereas, Dr. Mitchell is credited with starting the Coyote Jazz Festival, the Quad-State Marching Band competition and the Band Director's Summer Institute; and,

Whereas, Dr. Mitchell has taught thousands of USD and public school students through private lessons, didactic classes and ensemble classes, always encouraging each student to grow individually as a musician and advocating USD for the fine music program it offers; and,

Whereas, Dr. Mitchell performs professionally as a member of the Sioux City Symphony and as conductor of the Sioux City Municipal Summer Band; and,

Whereas, Dr. Mitchell has achieved the rank of Professor of Music at The University of South Dakota and will retire at the end of the 2005-2006 academic year after 32 years of service, and it is fitting and proper for the governor to recognize the numerous accomplishments and dedication of this outstanding citizen:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 30, 2006, as

DR. LAWRENCE MITCHELL DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.



M. Michael Rounds
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State